IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re U.S. Patent Application of Nichols

Application No. 09/219.

Filed: December 22, 1998

For: A SYSTEM, METHOD AND ARTICLE

> OF MANUFACTURE FOR A RUNTIME PROGRAM ANALYSIS TOOL FOR A

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed prior to examination. It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this filing. However, if a fee is due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Prior to examining the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE TITLE:

Please change the title to 'A RUNTIME PROGRAM ANALYSIS TOOL FOR A SIMULATION ENGINE".

REMARKS

The Applicant submits the change in title in order to be more succinct.

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